

education and influence so passionately driven by their teachers, parents, and community. William Penn's story is one of love of country and community and dedication to its students. This school is a part of what makes Bakersfield such a great place to live and grow up in. As one of Bakersfield's oldest schools, it remains an icon in our community, and on behalf of our community, I wish William Penn another century of academic excellence.

FLORIDA'S 16TH DISTRICT CONGRESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS

HON. VERN BUCHANAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Mr. BUCHANAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to law enforcement men and women who have provided distinctive service to the people of Florida's 16th Congressional District.

Law enforcement is a demanding profession that requires sacrifice, courage and a dedication to serve others. Every day, brave men and women put themselves in harm's way to enforce the laws of our society and protect public safety. They deserve our gratitude and respect.

Seven years ago, I established the 16th District Congressional Law Enforcement Awards, CLEA, to give special recognition to law enforcement officers, departments, or units for exceptional achievement.

This year, I will present congressional law enforcement awards to the following winners chosen by an independent panel comprised of current and retired law enforcement personnel representing a cross-section of the district's law enforcement community.

Ms. Carolyn Mason, a citizen affiliated with the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office, will receive the Associate Service Award.

Lieutenant William Tracy of the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office, Major John Baumann and Captain John F. Donovan of the Florida Highway Patrol, Detective David Tuck of the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office and Sergeant Michael Kenyan of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office will receive the Career Service Award.

Detective Frank Coleman of the City of Bradenton Police Department, Trooper Kenneth Watson of the Florida Highway Patrol, Sergeant Bruce King and Officer Chase Gloeckner of the City of Sarasota Police Department and Detective Joseph Petta of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office will receive the Dedication and Professionalism Award.

Deputy Willie Finklea of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office and Detective Ashely Lindeman of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office will receive the Above and Beyond the Call of Duty Award.

Trooper Gerry Smith of the Florida Highway Patrol, Sergeant Jeffrey Steiner, Officer Elise Schanley, Officer Derrick Gilbert, Officer Devin Epps, Officer Ronald Dixon, Officer Sean Gleason, Officer Kevin Sullivan, Sergeant Anthony Frangioni and Officer Bryan Lundstrom of the City of Sarasota Police Department, Deputy Efrain Taveras of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Carmine Luper, Deputy Terry Blake, Deputy Timothy

Collins, Detective Dino Murges, Deputy Selina Sly and Deputy Jerod Wolfe of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office will receive the Preservation of Life Award.

Sergeant Shawn Johnson, Detective James Klay, Detective Eric Wedin, Detective Eric Ellis and Civilian Brook Buzzell of the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office's Digital Forensics Lab will receive the Unit Citation Award.

Captain Jim Rieser, Captain (ret.) Kevin Stiff, Lieutenant Michael Schwieterman, Sergeant Jaymi Delcos, Officer Clifton Bishop, Officer David Dubendorf, Officer Dan Griesdorn, Officer Matthew Grochowski, Officer Matthew Kimball, Case Manager Krystal Frazier and Legal Advisor Joseph Polzak of the Sarasota Police Department's Homeless Outreach Team will receive the Unit Citation Award.

Lieutenant Darin Bankert, Sergeant Karen DeVries, Detective Charles Butler, Detective Darryl Davis, Detective Daniel Dickerman, Detective Benjamin Main and Detective Rabun Moss of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office, Lieutenant Bob Bourque of the Longboat Key Police Department, Detective Chad Oyler of the Palmetto Police Department, Sergeant Brian Hall of the Holmes Beach Police Department, Sergeant Lenard Diaz of the Bradenton Beach Police Department and Detective James Curulla of the City of Bradenton Police Department will receive the Manatee Homicide Investigative Unit Citation Award.

RECOGNIZING MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT DR. MATTHEW D. SHANK

HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Matthew D. Shank, who has served as Marymount University's sixth president since July 2011. With a strong commitment to Catholic higher education and an understanding of Marymount's diverse and inclusive learning environment, he began his first year by initiating a visioning process to clarify the University's identity and way forward. Input from the Marymount community contributed to the resulting vision, which states in part that "Marymount University will distinguish itself through a culture of engagement that fosters intellectual curiosity, service to others, and a global perspective."

In recognition of his focus on preparing students for the globalized environment of the 21st century, Dr. Shank received the 2012 Global Education Leadership Award from the World Affairs Council-Washington, D.C. Accepting the award on behalf of the University, he said, "The Council and Marymount share a common goal: Both organizations educate young people about global issues so that they will be prepared for success as citizens of a complex, diverse, and increasingly interdependent global community." Under his leadership, Marymount University has created and implemented a strategic plan known as "Building the Institution of Choice" and a comprehensive marketing plan called "Common Ground".

Dr. Shank also instituted an employee incentive program, Ideas at Work, to solicit cost-saving, revenue generating, and process-im-

provement ideas from members of the University community. President Shank is active in community and business organizations, serving on the boards of the Greater Washington Board of Trade, the Northern Virginia Technology Council, the Arlington Community Foundation, the Catholic Business Network of Northern Virginia, the World Affairs Council, Bishop O'Connell High School, and the Leadership Center for Excellence. He is an ex-officio member of the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and a community advisor to the Arlington Free Clinic, Arlington Public Schools and the Hispanic Scholarship Fund Advisory Council.

In the academic community, he serves on the boards of the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area, the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges, and the Washington Research Library Consortium. Most recently, Dr. Shank was named to the NCAA Presidential Advisory Group & President's Council. As Marymount's president, Dr. Shank is also a member of many academic organizations, including the American Association of Colleges and Universities, the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

At the end of his seven-year tenure, Dr. Shank's visionary leadership will have resulted in numerous milestone accomplishments for the institution. Chief among them is the crafting and implementation of the strategic plan, Building the Institution of Choice, which is in its final year of execution. The University's \$40 million capital campaign goal will be met and exceeded at the end of this fiscal year, two years ahead of schedule. The Master Plan, which meticulously lays out the vision for campus growth and renewal, has been developed. The much-celebrated opening of the new Ballston Center was a highlight of the fall 2017 semester. A significant expansion in sports programs and alignment with a new athletics conference was approved by the NCAA in February 2018 with competition to commence in the Fall of 2018.

Marymount University is a leading institution of higher education in my district and all who knew and worked with him and the University will miss his leadership, but we wish him great success in his future undertakings.

PROCLAIMING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE TUIDANG MOVEMENT TO INCREASING HUMAN LIBERTY IN CHINA

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, in November 2004, the publication of "Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party" by the United States-based media outlet, the Epoch Times, revealed the brutal, deceptive, evil nature of the Chinese Communist Party. These "Nine Commentaries" led to the creation of the Tuidang movement. Tuidang literally means "withdraw from the Party". The Tuidang Movement is contributing to the liberation of the minds of the Chinese people and helping to peacefully break the cycle of indoctrination that the Chinese Communist Party